## FEMA Provides an Additional \$7.6 Million to Colorado for COVID-19 Response

DENVER – FEMA has provided \$7.6 million in additional Public Assistance funding for the COVID-19 response to the Colorado Department of Public Health – Environment (CDPHE). The assistance was made available under a major disaster declaration issued March 28, 2020. FEMA has provided a total of \$960.5 million for Colorado's COVID-19 response statewide.

The \$7.6 million was provided to CDPHE for outreach efforts including translation and language services, media campaigns, and temporary staffing. The department also used this funding for equipment, and contractor support services.

This funding covers work between May 21, 2020 and September 30, 2021.

This funding is authorized under the January 21, 2021, Presidential Memorandum for the Secretary of Defense & the Secretary of Homeland Security and Section 403 of the Robert T. Stafford Act.

For the COVID-19 response, FEMA has simplified the Public Assistance application and funding process to address the magnitude of this event and to allow local officials to receive eligible funding more quickly. These reimbursements play a critical role as state, local and tribal officials work tirelessly to assist their communities during this response.

Additional information about FEMA's Public Assistance program can be found at <a href="https://www.fema.gov/assistance/public">www.fema.gov/assistance/public</a>.

